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New Comment Submission

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A new comment has been submitted at socotransmission.com

COMMENT

Meeting Attended:

I was not able to attend a meeting

Important Issues:

Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation), Noise, Health and Safety, Biological Resources, Visual / Aesthetic Resources, Proximity to Residences

Property Uses:

Comment:

I-148-001

I-148-002

The portion of preliminary alternative route 66 goes right through an area well known as an elk calving grounds! I have countless pictures from this area of newborn elk and female elk that refuge in this area in spring and winter. This is unacceptable to not use the current county road system, or more appropriately 160 or 69 to route these power lines. I have seen many owl in this area, some of which I think are burrowing owls and want to know who to contact to conduct a endangered wildlife species study to test for burrowing owl? Have you all conducted such a study? Who do I submit pictures and eye witness proof of this area as elk and deer calving grounds?

I don' feel informed about this project and the impact to my property, has information been mailed to the stakeholders?

Thanks, Jason

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Receive Newsletter: on

I-148-001: Route Refinement > SLV-Calumet (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Route refinement for the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement. The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.

I-148-002: NEPA Process (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. has requested financial assistance from the USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS), for their anticipated ownership interest in the proposed San Luis Valley – Calumet - Comanche Transmission Project. RUS has determined that funding Tri-State's ownership interest is a federal action requiring analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). RUS is the lead federal agency for NEPA, and will consult with other federal, state, and local agencies, and affiliated tribes as well as adhere to applicable regulations.

Additional information regarding the NEPA process can be found on the RUS project website at http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/environ.htm. The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

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